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14 August 1962

Honorable Richard B. Russell
Chairman, Senate Armed Services Committee
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Russell:

Recently I spoke to you about the possibility of submitting legislation to the Congress in this session relating to an improved retirement program for certain limited numbers of Agency employees. Since that time, the Bureau of the Budget has studied our proposal intensively. We were advised yesterday that the Bureau of the Budget would have no objection to the presentation of a proposed bill from the standpoint of the Administration's program.

I have today written to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House transmitting copies of the draft bill and am enclosing copies of these letters for your information. In addition, I am attaching an "Explanation and Justification" of this proposed bill which is necessarily classified SECRET. The classified portions of the text are enclosed in brackets. Deletion of the classified material would make available appropriate material for inclusion in a Committee report.

Your cooperation will be appreciated since I believe this matter has considerable urgency. Please advise if I can provide any additional information or be of any possible assistance.

Sincerely,

John A. McCone
Director

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